## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 36 By Haynes

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Mrs. Gwen McFarland for her outstanding contributions to her community and the State of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who in their years of work have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, one such person is Mrs. Gwen McFarland, a woman of honor and dignity who is known throughout Tennessee for her tireless dedication to community who, now retired, uses the skills she garnered as an educator and an attorney to enhance and protect the public; and

WHEREAS, such perseverance, integrity, and commitments have been deservedly recognized by the Davidson County Democratic Women who will pay tribute in appreciation of Mrs. Gwen McFarland; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Gwen McFarland served with the utmost acumen and alacrity throughout her time as an educator and attorney, but she now dedicates her time, energy, and wisdom to improving the community through her faithful volunteer work; and

WHEREAS, this extraordinary woman continues her legal work through taking pro bono cases and serving as a Better Business Bureau arbitrator; and

WHEREAS, not content to be a passive citizen, Mrs. McFarland is active in many Democratic Party and women's clubs and has served as a past President of the National Federation of Democratic Women; and WHEREAS, Mrs. Gwen McFarland truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues, peers, and family as she has devoted her time to such notable causes as serving as a member of the Women's Fund and acting as a licensed chalice bearer and lay reader; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Gwen McFarland epitomizes the ideal of the involved citizen who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized now; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Mrs. Gwen McFarland for her accomplishments and her extraordinary dedication to bettering the lives of others; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Mrs. Gwen McFarland for her outstanding contributions to her community and the State of Tennessee and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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